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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION AND
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed December 12, 2007, Applicant requests continued examination pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.114. Please enter the following amendments and remarks into the file of the above-entitled application.

In accordance with USPTO practice, each section of this Response begins on a separate sheet. Applicant submits, these amendments and remarks serve to clarify the present invention, and are independent of patentability.